

**GAR Disaster Relief Fund  
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The Georgia Association of REALTORS® (GAR) Disaster Relief Fund is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that was established to assist REALTORS® across Georgia who primary residence or place of business has been damaged or destroyed by a natural disaster. Members of the Georgia Association of REALTORS® at the time of the damage or loss shall be eligible for assistance regardless of the location of the primary residence or place of real estate business.

At the discretion of the Board of Directors, funding may be distributed to local Georgia Boards of REALTORS® for the purpose of disaster relief for areas within their NAR jurisdiction that have been declared a state of emergency/disaster areas.

The funds allocated to local boards shall be designated to provide services and/or supplies to benefit the community at large. Funds shall not be distributed to individuals or other non-profit entities.

### **History**

The GAR Disaster Relief Fund has already contributed to several of the Association members (REALTORS® and Affiliates) that suffered catastrophic occurrences from natural disasters. Amount of assistance varies. Some of the areas of assistance include:

- Financial assistance for families who lost a breadwinner in the September 11 attacks
- Financial assistance for homes to be re-built in Louisiana, Texas, Florida, Mississippi, and Alabama in the wake of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita
- Financial assistance for REALTORS® in west and southwest Georgia affected by tornadoes in Spring 2006
- Financial assistance for REALTORS® in northwest Georgia affected by tornadoes in spring 2010.
- Financial assistance for REALTORS® in Columbus affected by flooding in 2016.
- Financial assistance for REALTORS® affected by Hurricane Matthew in 2016.
- Financial assistance for REALTORS® in Albany, GA affected by tornadoes in 2017.

Attached is the Application for the Georgia Association of REALTORS® Disaster Relief Fund for your completion. You might be contacted by a GAR employee or Disaster Relief Fund Trustee for additional information. Any questions regarding this process, please do not hesitate to contact Charrisse Butler, Finance Director, at [cbutler@garealtor.com](mailto:cbutler@garealtor.com) or 678-597-4131.

Thank you,



Lisa Scully  
2023 GAR President

<p><b>APPLICATION FOR GAR DISASTER RELIEF FUND DISBURSEMENT</b> <b>Local Boards &amp; Associations</b></p>
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ALL INFORMATION IS CONFIDENTIAL

*A Disaster Relief Fund Trustee or GAR employee may contact you if additional information is needed.*

Date:

Application submitted by GAR Member/Staff:

PRINT NAME

NRDS ID NUMBER

If submitted by a non staff member, is your Association Executive aware?

Local Board Name:

Street Address:

City, State, Zip:

County:

E-mail:

Telephone Number:

Local Board Name:

Best time to reach:

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Please explain specific need for assistance (how much are you requesting, how community was impacted by disaster):

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Are other organizations or individuals providing assistance? Please list:

*Use additional pages if necessary. Please provide photos of damaged property and any receipts, if possible.*

*Please complete and return application and any additional material to the GAR Office:*

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